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Attention: Abhijit Bagde

MTC TIP Revision 2011-09 - Amendment

Dear M. Ealsetti.

Please be advised that MTC recently made several changes to the 2011 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). TIP Amendment 11-09 does not make any changes to project listings in the TIP. The amendment makes the following changes:

- Expands the delegated signatory authority of the Executive Director and Deputy Directors for approving TIP administrative modifications to include approval of administrative modifications to the Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP).
- Updates reference to the latest Public Participation Plan approved by MTC on December 15, 2011(Appendix A-4 of the adopted 2011 TIP).
- Revises the 2011 TIP revision process and procedures (Appendix A-33 of the adopted 2011 TIP) to include provisions of the updated public participation plan and incorporate the FSTIP/TIP administrative modifications and Amendment procedures recently revised by FHWA and FTA, including the following changes:
 - Revises the amount a project may be changed as an administrative modification from the current threshold of the lesser of 25% or \$5 million, to the lesser of 40% or \$10 million;
 - Allows the programming of the Preliminary Engineering (PE) phase as an administrative modification if Right of Way or Construction is already programmed in the TIP;
 - o Allows the reprogramming of an FTA funded project from the Prior TIP into the current TIP as an administrative modification;
 - Allows the addition or deletion of a project from a grouped project listing provided the funding amounts are within the threshold of the lesser of 40% or \$10 million.

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> Allows the description of a project in a grouped project listing to be changed as an administrative modification as long as such change does not conflict with the approved environmental document.

The amendment did not make any changes to the projects and hence the amendment does not require a new regional emissions analysis. MTC's 2011 TIP, including Revision No.11-09, was developed through a continuing, cooperative, comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 U.S.C. §134 and 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 and MTC's Public Participation Plan.

MTC's 2011 TIP, as revised with TIP Revision No.11-09, remains in conformity with the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality and the revision does not interfere with the timely implementation of the Transportation Control Measures contained in the State Implementation Plan (SIP).

Both the memo presented to the Programming and Allocations Committee and the updated resolution are attached.

If you have any questions regarding this revision, please contact Sri Srinivasan of my staff at (510) 817-5793.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Executive Director, Operations

Attachments:

- 1. Memo presented to the Programming and Allocations Committee
- 2. MTC Resolution No. 3975, Revised

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